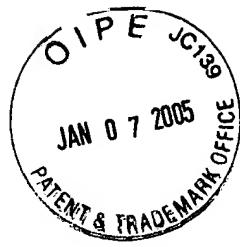


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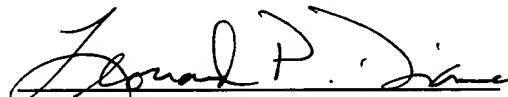
REQUEST FOR CORRECTED NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY

Sir:

Applicants note that the Notice of Allowability dated October 7, 2004, lists Claim 35 among the allowed claims. Since that claim was canceled in the Amendment dated July 28, 2004, Applicants respectfully request issuance of a corrected Notice of Allowability to clarify the record.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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